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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
7 AT SEATTLE

8 CHARLES HUTCHINGS JR.,

9 Plaintiff,

10 v.

11 ATL DIESEL, LLC, *et al.*,

12 Defendants.
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CASE NO. 2:25-cv-00565-RSL

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

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15 This matter comes before the Court *sua sponte*. On March 31, 2025, defendant
16 ESCO Industries, Inc., removed this action to federal court alleging that the Court has
17 jurisdiction based on the diversity of citizenship of the parties. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1332(a)
18 (establishing that the federal court’s basic diversity jurisdiction extends to “all civil actions
19 where the matter in controversy exceeds . . . \$75,000 . . . and is between . . . citizens of
20 different States.”). “For a case to qualify for federal jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1332(a),
21 there must be complete diversity of citizenship between the parties opposed in interest.”
22 *Kuntz v. Lamar Corp.*, 385 F.3d 1177, 1181 (9th Cir. 2004) (internal citation omitted). In
23 examining whether complete diversity is present, the citizenship of a limited liability
24 company is determined by examining the citizenship of the owners/members. *See Johnson*
25 *v. Columbia Props. Anchorage, LP*, 437 F.3d 894, 899 (9th Cir. 2006) (holding that “like a
26 partnership, an LLC is a citizen of every state of which its owners/members are citizens”).

Dated this 11th day of April, 2025.

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